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## Companion Resolution to Roosevelt Legislative Rezone Ordinance – "Whereas" Clauses

This amendment would expand the "whereas" clauses included in Resolution 31347 to include the language shown below in <u>underline</u>.

- A RESOLUTION declaring the City of Seattle's intent to promote and enhance the livability of the Roosevelt Residential Urban Village by implementing initiatives that complement changes to land use regulations.
- WHEREAS, the Neighborhood Design Guidelines for the Roosevelt Residential Urban Village were last revised in 2000; and
- WHEREAS, in 2006, the Roosevelt Neighborhood Association developed a legislative rezone proposal for the Roosevelt Residential Urban Village; and
- WHEREAS, Sound Transit is scheduled to open a new light rail station in the Roosevelt Residential Urban Village in 2020; and
- WHEREAS, the Seattle Planning Commission published a report on Seattle Transit Communities in November 2010 that identified Roosevelt as one of the 14 transit communities with the most urgent near-term planning needs; and
- WHEREAS, in August 2011, the Executive submitted a legislative rezone proposal for the Roosevelt Residential Urban Village to the City Council for review; and
- WHEREAS, the City Council expects new development in the Roosevelt Residential Urban

  Village to be guided by a design review process that is informed by a revised and updated set of Neighborhood Design Guidelines; and
- WHEREAS, until updated Neighborhood Design Guidelines for the Roosevelt Residential Urban
  Village are adopted by the Council by ordinance, the Council expects development in
  Roosevelt to be shaped by neighborhood-sensitive design work that engages the local
  community; and
- WHEREAS, the intersection of 15<sup>th</sup> Avenue Northeast and Northeast 65<sup>th</sup> Street serves as a gateway and transition area between the Roosevelt Residential Urban Village and the lower-density Ravenna neighborhood, it is the Council's intent to not pursue further legislative rezones in this area that would allow increased density east of 15<sup>th</sup> Avenue Northeast; and
- WHEREAS, land use regulations alone will not support the achievement of every livability goal developed for the Roosevelt Residential Urban Village; NOW, THEREFORE,